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**961.** Up to end of March 1956, works were completed to serve an extent of 45,000 acres of atchkat, of which, 12,000 acres was actually developed for irrigation.

**962.** A sum of rupees one lakh was sanctioned for the grant of loans to ryots of the area to improve their lands.

**963.** *Sharavathy Hydro-Electric Project.*—The preliminary works of the Sharavathy Valley Project were started during the year and were in progress.

**964.** The project across the river Sharavathi was proposed to be constructed in three stages to produce 7,10,000 K.W. of power.

**965.** Against a grant of rupees six lakhs, an outlay of Rs. 4,14,750 was incurred during the year.

## (iii) Electricity Department.

**966.** The Generating Stations at Sivasamudram, Shimshapura, Jog and Sandur had conjointly generated 74,15,35,000 units of power during the year.

Power supply to Villages.

**967.** During the year, 63 villages were electrified bringing the total to 811 (748) at the end of the year.

**968.** Fourteen thousand, nine hundred and sixty-five industrial, domestic, heating, and lighting, commercial and cinema installations were serviced during the year.

Power to Irrigation pumping sets.

**969.** One thousand and thirty-four irrigation pumping installations were serviced during the year with the assistance of Government of India loan of 40 lakhs, and the total number of irrigation pump sets electrically driven stood at 7,826 (6,792). On an average of five acres per pump, the area cultivated by electrically driven pumps was about 39,130 acres. The revenue realised on this Scheme was Rs. 6,95,986 on the total capital expenditure of Rs. 2,49,44,649.

Street Lighting.

**970.** Two thousand six hundred and thirty-seven fresh street lights were serviced during the year bringing the total number of street lights in service to 39,501 (36,864) in the several cities, towns, and villages in the State at the end of the year.

**971.** Power supply to Kollegal and Silk Filatures and bulk supply at points at Ujjini and Hindupur for Madras Government and power supply to Tungabhadra Project at

Bellary and to Bombay Government at South Canara was continued during the year.

High Tension Transmission Lines.

**972.** The total length of High Tension Transmission lines of 22 KW and above, and under charge stood at 1,788 circuit miles and 1,163 route miles as against 1,751 circuit miles and 1,125 miles respectively at the end of the previous year.

**973.** The gross expenditure incurred by the Department under Capital, Maintenance and Depreciation Funds including contributions paid by adjustment to Tungabhadra Hydro-Electric Scheme and works done to other Government Departments, Municipalities and Private parties under advance schemes was Rs. 3,72,88,786.

Revenue

**974.** The gross demand for the year exclusively on power supply amounted to Rs. 2,95,98,482 (Rs. 2,82,26,772). The collections for the year amounted to Rs. 2,90,43,386 as against the Budget anticipation of Rs. 2,46,00,000 (original) and revised to Rs. 2,68,00,000.

**975.** In addition to the above, a sum of Rs. 26,83,498 was actually realised towards tax on consumption against the original Budget provision of Rs. 24,00,000.

**976.** The net receipts for power supply after paying off all working expenses on establishment, maintenance proper, tools and plant, with contributions to Depreciation Reserve Fund amounting to Rs. 80,09,307 was Rs. 1,23,47,823 and interest of Rs. 1,07,65,026 was met under a separate appropriation under "52 Interest on Electricity Schemes" outside the working expenses of the Department.

**977.** The expenditure incurred for the improvements on the three Generating Stations at Sivasamudram, Shimsha and Jog was Rs. 1,78,363.

**978.** An expenditure of Rs. 50,91,913 was incurred under transmission works.

**979.** The total expenditure on power supply to irrigation pumps amounted to Rs. 35,44,353. A loan assistance of 40 lakhs was sanctioned by the Government of India in the interest of Grow More Food Scheme.

**980.** The expenditure incurred on other Capital Works during the year was Rs. 39,76,451.

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Frequency Conversion Work.

**981.** The Conversion Works pertaining to (1) Doddaballapur, (2) Devanahalli, (3) Hoskote, (4) Soldevanahalli were completed. Conversion of frequency at Nelamangala, T. G. Halli water works, Anekal, Attibele, Vijayapura, Sidlaghatta and Chickballapur were taken up during the year.

**982.** Conversion of power circuits in Bangalore A, B, and C station limits and at Mysore were nearing completion. About 3,700 KW was lifted from 25 cycles system during the year making the total conversion of load from 25 cycles to 50 cycles to 44,781 K.W. at the end of the year.

**983.** An expenditure of Rs. 4,81,795 was incurred on this group of works.

**984.** An expenditure of Rs. 1,12,532 was incurred on the surveys of Honnemaradu (Sharavathi) valley project during the year.

**985.** A sum of Rs. 6,79,196 was incurred on works pertaining to other Government Departments and Palace.

**986.** An expenditure of Rs. 19,05,538 was incurred on power supply to towns and villages during the year.

**987.** There were 47 fatal accidents to human life and 26 fatal accidents to animals during the year.

**988.** The hospitals in Jog, Sivasamudram and Shimshapura were well maintained. Veterinary aid was rendered to cattle at Sivasamudram, Shimshapura and Jog from the neighbouring veterinary dispensaries.

## (iv) Mysore Government Road Transport Department.

**989.** The Department owned 166 buses at the beginning of the year. Fifty chassis were purchased during the year at a cost of Rs. 11,76,386.

**990.** At the commencement of the year, 294 routes were operated covering a daily mileage of 14,442 and at the end of the year the number of routes rose to 327 and the daily mileage to 16,291 (including Mysore City Services).

**991.** New routes were taken up where it was absolutely necessary to do so, avoiding to the extent possible routes which are adequately served by the private sector.